HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Wednesday, December 13, 2000

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PEASE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, December 13, 2000.

I hereby appoint the Honorable EDWARD A. PEASE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Emmett J. Gavin, O. Carm, Whitefriars Hall, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Gracious and loving God, as we enter the closing days of this year and this Congress, we ask for an abundance of Your grace and guidance. Give the men and women of this Chamber the gifts of wisdom, prudence and unity of purpose that will enable them to govern the people of this land with justice and good judgment.

We are a people in need of healing, unity and peace. Help the work of this august body further those national goals. May the decisions and policies that emerge from these hallowed Halls enhance unity and understanding, not only among the people of this country, but throughout the world.

Even as the Members of this House mourn the loss of their esteemed colleague, Julian Dixon, who is being laid to rest today, give them the hope and confidence of a brighter future for all the people of this land who are entrusted to their care.

May renewed commitment to the goals of our Democratic way of life energize the efforts of our elected representatives and give them new purpose as they pursue the best interests of this great Nation.

Your peace, gracious God, that passes all understanding, be with all Your people, this day and every day.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. REYNOLDS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. REYNOLDS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 12, 2000.
Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,

The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 12, 2000 at 9:44 a.m.

That the Senate Agreed to House amendment S. 1508

With best wishes, I am Sincerely.

JEFF TRANDAHL, Clerk of the House.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE HON. JULIAN C. DIXON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 671, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Julian C. Dixon:

Mr. STARK, California; Mr. GEP-HARDT, Missouri: Mr. BONIOR, Michigan; Mr. George Miller, California; Mr. WAXMAN, California; Mr. LEWIS, California; Mr. MATSUI, California; Mr. THOMAS, California; Mr. DREIER, California; Mr. Hunter, California; Mr. Lantos, California; Mr. Martinez, California; Mr. BERMAN, California; Mr. PACKARD, California; Mr. GALLEGLY, California; Mr. HERGER, California; Ms. Pelosi, California; Mr. Cox, California; Mr. ROHRABACHER, California; Mr. CONDIT, California; Mr. CUNNINGHAM, California; Mr. Dooley, California; Mr. DOOLITTLE, California; Ms. WATERS, California; Mr. BECERRA, California; Mr. CALVERT, California; Ms. ESHOO, California; Mr. FILNER, California; Mr. HORN, California; Mr. McKeon, Cali-

fornia; Mr. Pombo, California; Ms. Roy-BAL-ALLARD, California; Mr. ROYCE, California; Ms. Woolsey, California; Mr. FARR, California; Mr. BILBRAY, California; Ms. Lofgren, California; Mr. RADANOVICH, California; Mr. CAMP-BELL, California; Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, California; Mr. ROGAN, California; Mr. SHERMAN, California; SANCHEZ, California; Mrs. TAUSCHER, California; Mrs. CAPPS, California; Mrs. Bono, California; Ms. Lee, California; Mr. KUYKENDALL, California; Mr. GARY MILLER, California; Mrs. Napolitano, California; Mr. Ose, California; Mr. THOMPSON, California; Mr. Baca, California; Mr. Conyers, Michigan; Mr. Clay, Missouri; Mr. OBEY, Wisconsin; Mr. FROST, Texas; Mr. Sensenbrenner, Wisconsin; Mr. Petri, Wisconsin; Mr. Lewis, Georgia; Mr. SAWYER, Ohio; Mr. Goss, Florida; Mr. McDermott, Washington; Mr. Jef-FERSON, Louisiana; Ms. NORTON, District of Columbia; Mr. BISHOP, Georgia; Mr. Clyburn, South Carolina; Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson, Texas; Mr. RUSH, Illinois; Mr. SCOTT, Virginia; Mr. FORBES, New York; Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Texas; Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois; Mr. CUMMINGS, Maryland; Ms. KILPATRICK, Michigan; Mrs. Christensen, Virgin Islands; Mr. MEEKS, New York; and Mrs. JONES, Ohio.

MAKING IN ORDER MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES ON FRI-DAY, DECEMBER 15, 2000

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order at any time in the legislative day of Friday, December 15, 2000, for the Speaker to entertain a motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 3594, Installment Tax Correction Act of 2000.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

HOUR OF MEETING ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2000

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. tomorrow.

The SPĒAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

HOUR OF MEETING ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2000

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the